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Thanks

... to those who have supported the Nothing Naughty fruit bar fund-raiser and to Lisa Ryan for organising this.

... to those parents who assisted on our Year 7 and 8 career / EOTC day

Term Calendar ... More to follow as dates come to hand!

19 May	ESOL students sail on R Tucker Thompson
20 May	Nominations for BOT election close 12 noon
24 May	Year 7 and 8 Winter Sports Tournament (pp 31.5)
25 May	Hockey coaching sessions begin
26 May	School Council Book Character Dress-up Day
3 June	BOT Election voting closes
8 June	Year 5 and 6 Winter Sports Tournament (pp 14.6)
17 June	On-line portfolios open for viewing
30 June	Science Fair judging
4 July	Science Fair exhibits pen for viewing
4/5 July	Interviews
7 July	Year 8 HPV vaccination 2
8 July	Final day of term 2

Well done ...

... to our two lit quiz teams .. our year 8 team achieved thirteenth place and our year 7 team achieved fifteenth place ... out of a field of well over 30 teams. Really tough competition but a job well done.

People of the week

.. our seniors for a successful career / EOTC day .. feedback from those working with you all has been phenomenally positive. Thank you for serving your community in this way.

... those parents who have already discussed the consideration virtue with their children.

... those students who attended last weekend's Kiwi Day. You mightily impressed the organisers of this event .. and became one of the highlights. Thank you for putting our school in such a positive light.

.... Natasha Nyhuis, PoD Matarau 1 Netball Team

... Ayesha Neely, PoD Matarau 2 Netball Team

.. Ryan Kessell, PoD Matarau Blue Hockey Mini Sticks Dev Team

Also Summer Dackers and Jessica Nyhuis who where our PoD's for Matarau 2 Netball Team the 1st & 2nd Weeks of Netball (in term 1)

Reminders from last week

... please advise us if your child received medical attention after any accidents at schools so that we can modify our records and monitor risks.

... are any medications we hold for your child current? .. you might like to drop by the office to take a look.

... sunhats are optional in terms 2 and 3

... parents of children in learning support programmes (Mrs Comrie or Mrs Gunson) are welcome to contact the learning support teacher at any stage with questions. Please continue to support with assigned work.

.. a reminder that the lower gate (from the bus bay) will no longer be hooked back .. unaccompanied younger children may need to be dropped to the other gates.

Draft Child Protection Policy

The Board is required to have a Child Protection Policy. A draft policy was circulated yesterday via our most comprehensive distribution list, and a copy has been placed on the school notice board (by the hall). Further copies are available from the office on request .. email or hard copy.

Comments on the proposed policy must be submitted to the Board in writing please no later than 13 June.

Please note this policy has been based (with some modifications to fit our school) on a promulgated model and so will not be greatly different from that being implemented in other schools.

Upcoming Board Election Some critical dates

20 May	Nominations close
25 May	Voting papers issued
3 June	Election date
9 June	Votes counted
10 June	New board takes office

Virtue - term 4

We are pleased to announce that our focus virtue for term 2 is **CONSIDERATION**. Please take time to discuss this virtue with your children over coming weeks

... Why should we practise consideration? ... What does it look like?

... How and where do you practise consideration in your own life?

... How does consideration impact others? - How does it impact us?

Children will be discussing this virtue at school over coming weeks. Please find support material attached. Don't hesitate to contact us with shining examples of *CONSIDERATION* so that we can celebrate together.

Council Book / Movie Character Day

... coming soon (confirmed date 27 May) and so watch this space. Maybe get your kids thinking about who they might be on the day. We will have a character parade with some awesome prizes for best costumes. Much more to follow.



Nothing Naughty Bars - Library Books Fundraiser

Thank you so much to those who have supported this fund-raiser to date ... and a special thanks to Lisa for her hard work behind the scenes. **If you have bars and do not want these bars, or you are not in a position to on-sell these, please return them to school ASAP next week as we have willing buyers.** Any questions please contact Helen in the office or Lisa Ryan on 027 454 3630.

International Schools English and Maths Competitions

Practice papers will be made available from around 20 June ... this gives a period of 6-8 weeks preparation.

Wool Remnants wanted

To be knitted into cot blankets for newborns. Please bring any donations of any wool remnants, part balls, any colours, etc to the school office & they will be handed on to Di Taylor. Many thanks.

Kiwi Transmitter Fundraiser

Thanks to those who supported this fun-raiser with some coinage this week. Enough raised to pay for half a transmitter. Well done!



Scholastic Issue 3 was sent home earlier this week. All orders and payments are due back to the office by Friday 20th May

Cambridge Update

On Thursday 2 June (starting 3:15 PM in room 11) we will host our next Cambridge meeting. At this meeting we will share with parents how we intend to monitor and report on your child as they progress through their Cambridge journey. Parents will continue to receive the usual year 7 and 8 diagnostic information, but will also receive results of performance in milestone Cambridge assessments.

Further to this, we will talk with you about how we are using (and intend to further use) our science lab to grow competencies in this important area of the curriculum. Parents should feel free to bring interested friends with them. This programme is unique, and the results we are seeing are very positive.

Parents of year 5 and 6 students are also welcome at this meeting. This is an opportunity for you to get a feel for the Cambridge Secondary 1 programme (and its potential implications for your child), so that you can make informed decisions about your child's preparation for secondary school. We are the only school in Northland offering this programme at no cost to parents, and we will have a limited number of out of zone places for 2017. So ... we look forward to seeing some of you on 2 June or at some other time by appointment.

Bus Monitors / Bus Behaviour

Periodically I meet with our bus monitors to support them in their roles. This role is a challenging one, bus behaviour is notoriously difficult to manage and some kids are "just not morning people". Because the driver's eyes are obviously "on the road" we rely on our monitors to ensure behaviour is safe and appropriate during the course of the journey. Monitors are expected to be fair, to ask nicely, and then to report to me any matters needing further attention. They do their best but, like all of us, they are not perfect. They are growing in the roles, as we are growing in each of our many roles. Please support them where you can.

I am more than happy to facilitate a discussion between a monitor and a bus student at any stage where either party feels they are not getting a fair deal (please do not facilitate this discussion yourself) ... just ask your child to drop by and I promise that any matters will be dealt with promptly and monitored where necessary.

School Attendance

The Ministry of Education requires us to monitor attendance and to take action where this is below an acceptable threshold (around 90-95%). If you receive a letter advising of attendance of concern do not take this personally. Sometimes non-attendance can get away on us, and it can be useful to have actual attendance figures brought to our attention. The link between attendance and achievement is fairly clear, we are happy to work with any family to ensure that attendance is at acceptable levels.

Room 10 have asked us to share these consideration quotes with you ...

"A little consideration, a little thought for others makes all the difference"

"Many small people, in many small places, do many small things, that can change the world"

"Everyone you meet is fighting a battle you know nothing about. Be kind. Always."

"Good manners reflect something from inside - an innate sense of consideration for others and respect for self"

Finally

Hugely impressed with our students over recent weeks. Three hundred kids sitting in near perfect silence for the full duration of a 30 minute ANZAC ceremony, our Kiwi Day representatives knocking the socks off those present with their behaviour, respectful interest, and their performance of our school song, and our year 7 and 8 students for their contributions this week to various community organisations. Well done!

Regards ... *nga mihi*

Kevin Trehwella

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School Lunches



Mondays - \$3.00 : Baked Beans or Spaghetti served with toast & a juice, or Chicken or Beef Cup of Noodles & a juice.

Order at the office by morning tea on Monday.

Wednesdays - \$1.50 : for Sausage (meat or vegetarian option) in bread with sauce.

Order on Wednesday mornings through the classroom teacher.

Fridays - \$4.00 : Hot Mince Pie, Jumbo Sausage Roll or Sausage Roll (with Museli Bar), butter chicken or mince & cheese wrap and a Fruit Drink. You can swap the fruit drink for a flavoured milk for \$5.00. *Order by Wednesday at the office, to receive Friday. See order form attached to this week's newsletter if you want to place an order for all or several weeks in term 2.*

Community Notices

WANTED TO RENT – For approx. 6months while house being built. 3 Bedroom Home for 2 Adults and 1 Child. Prefer Matarau / Kamo Area. Please phone Marcia 021 064 2443

FREE TO A GOOD HOME Funky chooks, polish runner/bantam silkies crosses. Great hairstyles and fluffy feet-act fast. Not for the pot. - ph Hana on 027 435 2786

ASB School Banking Promotion - Open to Primary and Intermediate Schools, Students need to deposit at least \$1 into their registered Headstart account via your school's ASB School Banking Programme and be in with a chance to win \$10, \$20 or \$50 fortnightly cash prizes. If the students are registered for ASB School Banking Programme and put funds into their Headstart account electronically, enter "score" in the reference section. Competition details plus Ts & Cs can be found on www.asb.co.nz/banking-with-asb/school-banking.html

Totara Grove School - 50th Jubilee Celebrations - We will be celebrating our 50th Jubilee on Friday 3rd June & Saturday 4th June. Registration forms on our website www.totaragrove.school.nz or by contact the school office on 435 0019 Registrations close 20 May 2016

Making a Scene Drama and Voice Academy has classes for students aged 7 -14 starting term two. Drama, Musical Theatre and Communication classes From Monday -Thursday. Tuition is open to beginners and experienced students - visit the website to choose a class to suit your needs www.makingascene.co.nz or ph 021 172 3568

Northland Sinfonia & the Choral Society (& the Whg Youth Choir) – John Rutter's Magnificat Concert 3pm Sunday May 15th, Forum North. Book at ticketek.

FRIDAY SCHOOL LUNCHES

HAVE A DAY OFF MAKING LUNCHES AND SUPPORT THE SCHOOL!

- ☺ Below is an order form for **Friday** lunches.
 - ☺ These can be ordered for the term in advance, or weekly if desired.
 - ☺ **Please have weekly orders placed at the school office by the Wednesday to receive an order the following Friday.**
 - ☺ Please make cheques payable to Matarau School.
- Thanks for supporting our fundraiser.

WEEKLY ORDER FORM – Term 2 2016

Child _____

___ Sausage Roll/Muesli Bar/Drink \$4.00
___ Big Daddy Sausage Roll/Drink \$4.00
___ Milk Drink - extra \$1.00

Room _____

___ Mince Pie or Mince N Cheese/Drink \$4.00
___ Mince N Cheese or Butter Chicken Wrap/Drink \$4.00

Child _____

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TERM ORDER - Total Amount Owing For Term 2 - 9 weeks

Items @ \$4.00 x _____ weeks =

Items @ \$5.00 x _____ weeks =

In the case of a child's absence from school and instructions to the contrary, we are unable to guarantee a refund or provide a lunch on a subsequent week.